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- 1. REFTELS CROSSED IN TRANSMITTAL.
- 2. EMBASSY FINDS NO RECORD OF HAVING BEEN PREVIOUSLY INFORMED THAT AMERICAN DELEGATION HAD BEEN LED TO BELIEVE THAT OATH OR AFFIRMATION WAS PROVIDED FOR IN ALL SWISS CANTONAL LEGISLATION. IN VIEW OF DR. MARKEES' VERY POSITIVE STATEMENT THAT THIS PROBLEM WAS SPECIFICALLY DISCUSSED DURING NEGOTIATIONS (REF B), EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING ANY PERTINENT DATA AVAILABLE FROM USG NEGOTIATION OR OTHER FILES WHICH MIGHT SUPPORT BASIS FOR REQUESTING REMEDIAL ACTION BY SWISS (PARA 5 REF B).
- 3. EMBASSY APPRECIATES INFORMATION TRANSMITTED BY REF A AND NOW HAS CLEARER FOCUS ON SCOPE AND IMPORTANCE OF PROBLEM TO U.S. TEAM OF NEGOTIATORS. ALTHOUGH SUPPORTING EVIDENCE OF SWISS FAILURE TO DISCLOSE PROBLEM DURING NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE HELPFUL, EMBASSY IS PREPARED TO APPROACH DR. MARKEES SOONEST, IF NONE IS AVAILABLE. PLEASE INFORM ASAP. DAVIS

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